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## WHAT MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP COSTS

### EFFECT ON RATES AND TAXES

Some Figures For Those Who Are Thinking First About the Immediate Effect on Their Pocketbooks

Two questions are uppermost in the minds of most of the people now in doubt about the wisdom of voting bonds for the purchase of the local water system by the city. They are:

What will be the effect on water rates?

What will be the effect on taxes?

It would be a brave man who would set out to reduce the answers to mathematical certainty because of the many complications involved in both questions. But the News will attempt to throw some light on them.

It is practically certain that water rates will be no higher under municipal ownership than they have been under the present company. The city will not be subject to any increase in operating expenses which would not fall with equal force upon the company if it continued in business. There is a possibility that the cost of water to the consumers would be lower with the development of additional supplies by the city, which would provide more water for distribution. The inability of the company to develop more water removes this possibility in case municipal ownership is turned down.

Further, there is not only no possibility of lowering the cost of water from the company, but it is almost certain to be higher. The demand for water now presses hard upon the supply. As the city grows the demand for domestic water increases. The company's stock is becoming distributed among a larger number of domestic consumers and there will be a constantly decreasing amount per share to be allotted.

### Company's Hands Tied

There is only one way in which the company can develop a larger water supply. It cannot borrow the necessary money and its only recourse is to levy very heavy assessments upon the stock. If this is done it will be burdensome to all stockholders. Several of the large stockholders and irrigators who have pumping plants of their own and are not entirely dependent upon the company for water are not in a mood to shoulder such a burden.

If municipal ownership should be turned down and these large stockholders should block further water development by preventing stock assessments it would be a question of only one or two years before there would be a serious shortage of water. What would be the result? The law says the actual domestic demand must be met first out of what water is available. Then would come the irrigators, and last the lawns and flower gardens. The irrigators without an independent supply would run the risk of losing their orchards, and the lawns and flowers which form so large a part of the beauty of Sierra Madre would be destroyed.

### Taxes Versus Interest

The question of taxes is a complicated one. The proportions of water stock to property held vary so much that each case would have to be worked out by itself to satisfy everyone.

But obviously the fairest way of arriving at a correct conclusion is to consider the city in the aggregate, determining the cost of the proposed \$111,000 bond issue and the cost of maintaining the company under the present arrangement. Mr. Max Wolff has prepared some figures showing this relation very clearly.

The city has agreed to pay the company \$96,000 for its holdings, the company to liquidate its bonded debt out of this amount. Allowing \$30,000 for retiring the bonds and for liquidation expense, \$66,000 is left to be distributed among the stockholders. Hence it is eminently fair to assume that as long as the stockholders have their money tied up in the company they are paying interest on \$66,000, which ought to be worth 7% to them. During the year 1910 they also paid assessments of 25 cents per share, an amount which there is every reason to expect might be continued for years to come. It is in fact a low estimate of the assessments that might be expected. The annual expense, then, of running the present company may be stated thus:

Interest on \$66,000 at 7% ..... \$4,620

Assessments, 25c per share ..... 2,200

Total present cost ..... \$6,820

Suppose the city issues bonds for \$111,000 to buy out the company and make improvements and extensions. An annual payment of \$58.28 will retire a 5% bond for \$1,000 at the end of 40 years. To retire \$111,000 in that period would require an annual expenditure of \$6,459. The difference between this amount and \$6,820 of \$361 represents the aggregate saving over the present arrangement.

As a matter of fact the comparison should be made on the basis of the cost of retiring only \$96,000 instead of \$111,000, for the extra \$15,000 is to be used for further development which does not enter into the expense shown for the operation of the company. To retire \$96,000 in 40 years will require an annual expenditure of \$5,600, a saving of \$1,220 over what the stockholders of the company are actually paying under the present arrangement.

### WOMEN MAY REGISTER

While there is no advantage in women registering at this time, there is no legal obstacle to prevent them from doing so if they wish. The law provides that voters (outside of special charter cities) must be registered at least thirty days before any election at which they wish to vote. The registration period for the water bond election on November 7 had passed by at the time of the election of October 10 when the suffrage amendment was adopted. So far as known at this time there will be no other election in Sierra Madre before January 1, 1912. Beginning at that time a new great register of all voters will be made up, and voters who register now will have to register again after January 1 and before the general election next fall. Consequently there is no advantage to be gained in registering at this time in precincts where there are no elections to be held before January 1. But, as already stated, there is no legal obstacle in the way of those women who wish to be enrolled as qualified voters, as the realization of a long deferred hope. Registration officers for Sierra Madre City precincts are N. H. Hosmer, who may be found at his residence any evening, and the editor of the News.

## Don't fail to attend the Water Bond Mass Meeting, Town Hall, next Monday Evening. Vote for progress on Tuesday, Nov. 7, by marking your ballot like this:

Shall the City of Sierra Madre incur a bonded debt of \$111,000 for the purpose of acquiring the supply and distributing system of water works owned by the Sierra Madre Water Company and used by said company in supplying water to the said City of Sierra Madre and to its inhabitants, and acquiring and constructing certain improvements to said system of waterworks, including the acquisition of lands, waters, water rights, rights of way, and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor?

YES ☒ NO ☐

### LOWER LIGHT RATES SECURED

#### Edison Company Makes Concessions for Domestic Consumers

Coming soon after the announcement of lower gas rates, Sierra Madre householders have reason to feel good over the prospect of lower electric lighting rates. The Edison Company has signified a willingness to make a reduction of 1 cent per kilowatt from the present domestic rate. A new street lighting contract for the city and the furnishing of tungsten lamps at cost to the consumer are also on the calendar for the near future.

Announcement of the terms which the Edison Company would grant was made at a called meeting of the Board of Trade Wednesday evening, by Messrs. Neelands and Childs, representing the company. The meeting marked the culmination of the work of a special committee on lighting rates of which N. W. Tarr was chairman. President Welsch called upon him to report for the committee. He spoke of the work done by the committee to determine where electric current could be secured on the best terms, which had resulted in the Edison Company submitting a proposition. He said he preferred to have the consumers pass upon the proposition themselves and Messrs. Neelands and Childs were present to state the company's position.

Both representatives of the company dwelt at length upon the company's desire to give Sierra Madre the best service possible. They paid Mr. Tarr a high compliment as an advocate of the city's cause, and the audience had opportunity to see for themselves in the discussion which followed that the concession was well merited. They stated the concessions outlined above, which the company would grant. The reduction of 1 cent per kilowatt in the domestic rate would involve no change in the \$1 monthly minimum. The furnishing of the new non-fragile tungsten lamps at cost they urged as important, inasmuch as tungsten lamps burn only half as much current as carbon lamps of equal candlepower. The free renewals of carbon lamps will be continued as in the past. The announcement that the new rate would take effect January 1 met with considerable opposition from the consumers present who thought they had waited long enough and wanted it made effective immediately. A compromise was effected by Mr. Childs agreeing to have the rate made effective December 1 if possible.

The present street lighting contract has about two years yet to run. Mr. Childs said the company would abrogate the contract if the city would increase the number of lamps from 85 to 100 and use tungsten lamps at a slightly increased rate per lamp. His request for a five-year contract met with immediate and strong opposition and he finally agreed to have a three-year contract drawn, for the consideration of the city trustees.

After a discussion participated in by a large number of persons, both the domestic and street lighting propositions were endorsed unanimously.

### AN ANNIVERSARY OCCASION

On Sunday next Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., will begin the seventh year of his pastorate at the Congregational Church of Sierra Madre. He came here two months before the advent of the electric cars, so that he has been here during the transition from the old order to the new. In the six years of his pastorate the church has increased in membership about fourfold. In his sermon next Sunday he will not only take a retrospective glance across the track of the years, but will also speak of the promise of the future.

### EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Church of the Ascension, the Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, rector. The services on next Sunday will be appropriate to All Saints Day. The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Hibbard of Pasadena will preach at the 11 o'clock services when there will be the sermon and Holy Communion. Sunday school will meet as usual at 9:40 a. m. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. Annie Rix Mills will give a talk at the "Home of Truth," 493 Auburn Avenue, on Tuesday, November 21, at 3 o'clock. Subject: "How to Think So as to Be Always Well." Everybody welcome.

### NO RAKE-OFF ON BONDS

Many taxpayers have allowed themselves to become worried over the question of the compensation of the city treasurer for handling the money in case the \$111,000 water bond issue is voted. Their concern arises from the difference of opinion over the interpretation of the law which says the treasurer may credit himself with "one per cent of all moneys received and paid" by him. There is no personal element in their argument. It is not a question of whether this or that man will get the percentage. They simply argue that two per cent is too much to be paid any man for simply taking in and paying out such an amount, and have shown a disposition to vote against the water bonds if such an expense is involved.

Ample assurance can be given that the correct interpretation of the law is that the treasurer shall receive only one per cent, and that after the money has been both received and paid out. There has already been a superior court decision on this point. Furthermore, this interpretation was adopted unanimously by the department of city attorneys at the recent convention of the League of California Municipalities at Santa Barbara. It was considered at length by a committee on laws, which included Assistant Secretary Locke of the League, City Attorney Carr of Pasadena, City Attorney Kirkridge of San Mateo, and City Attorney Davis of Burlingame. They reported their recommendation to the department of attorneys where, after some further discussion, it was adopted unanimously. So it seems that the city cannot be made to pay more than one per cent on the money.

There is a further possibility that an even smaller percentage will be paid. Before another election the city trustees will doubtless pass an ordinance fixing the treasurer's compensation, probably at a fixed amount, based on the percentage of an average year's business. This would take effect at the beginning of the next term, in April. In the event that the bonds carry there is a probability that the adjustment of all matters pertaining to the transaction will occupy five or six months, so that the money would not actually be paid until after the new salary ordinance had gone into effect. In that event there would be no percentage to be paid by the city.

### USE OF SOAPSTONE.

Large Quantities of Talc Employed in Industry.

A new record was made in raising the annual production of talc or soapstone in the United States to 150,716 short tons in 1910, an increase of 16 per cent in quantity and 30 per cent in value compared with the production in 1909, according to J. S. Diller of the United States geological survey.

Talc is usually marketed in the rough from the mine, sawed into slabs and made up into manufactured objects such as laundry tubs or ground into powder. In 1910 69 per cent of the talc was ground and 21 per cent made into slabs and manufactured. The product of New York is practically all ground Vermont ranks second and produces both ground talc and soapstone. Virginia, the third in rank, produces some ground talc, but a large amount of soapstone, in the production of which it outranks all other states.

Most of the ground talc is used in the manufacture of paper of various kinds, especially building paper. It finds application also in the manufacture of molded rubber forms and as foundry facings and paints. It readily absorbs grease and is used to remove spots from silk and to bleach cotton goods. On account of its slipperiness, one of its most important properties, it is widely used to lessen friction, and for this purpose it is dusted into gloves and shoes and blown into conduits to ease the introduction of electric wires or other conductors. One of its widest applications is in toilet powders, most of which are made from high grade talc imported from Europe.

Laundry tubs, griddles, foot warmers and many other similar utensils are manufactured from soapstone. The higher grades of massive talc, free from flaws, are sawed up to make pencils or crayons, French chalk, gas tips and other special articles.

## CHRYSANTHEMUMS REGAL IN GLORY

EXHIBIT IS MAGNIFICENT

First Chrysanthemum Fete of Woman's Club Provides Beautiful Display

Splendid and magnificent are almost inadequate as adjectives to describe the display at the Chrysanthemum Fete at the Woman's club house today and tomorrow. The glory of the spring flower festival is rivaled and even some of the more pretentious chrysanthemum shows of the cities would be hard put to prove their superiority.

The ladies of the Woman's club, under whose auspices the affair is given, have been busily engaged planning and carrying out the decorative scheme for some time, and this morning the competitive exhibits of chrysanthemums and dahlias were put in position. The decorations were under the immediate charge of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Conard.

The walls of the auditorium and parlors are banked with tulle, bamboo and olive foliage, producing a beautifully soft effect for the background, and enlivened by masses of chrysanthemums and asters. Great masses of flowers are banked along the platform. Exhibit tables are placed along the walls of the auditorium and parlors, showing off the matchless blooms to the best advantage. Lines of electric lighted Japanese lanterns are suspended from the center of the auditorium ceiling.

The west porch is enclosed in canvas and transformed into a charming sitting room. Small tables scattered about the auditorium floor make provision for sewing, cards or refreshments, whichever happens to be in order.

This afternoon's program calls for a thimble party with Miss Annis B. Coffey and Mrs. Ernest Yerxa as hostesses. A special feature will be the baby show at which it is expected a large number of Sierra Madre's finest will be present. Being well aware that every Sierra Madre baby is a prize winner the committee in charge has wisely decided to decorate every one with a blue ribbon.

This evening the announcement of the awards of the judges of floral exhibits will be made by Mayor C. W. Jones. There will also be a short talk and some character readings by Mr. Frank F. Pratt of Los Angeles. Guests will be received by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawles, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ingraham, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Welsch, Col. and Mrs. A. B. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Camp, Mrs. Mary Davis Goodfellow and Mr. Claude Davis.

Cards will be played on Saturday afternoon, beginning at two o'clock. For this event Messrs. Cabot A. Yerxa, Gaylord Martin and C. L. Nourse will be hostesses.

The Chrysanthemum Dance on Saturday evening will begin promptly at 8 o'clock, with general dancing. The cotillion will be danced from 9 to 10, the hour being set this early because.

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## Sierra Madre Directory

### CITY GOVERNMENT

TRUSTEES—C. W. Jones, Chairman; J. J. Graham, N. H. Hosmer, J. C. Pegler, L. E. Steinberger, Clerk and Recorder; C. H. Perry, Treasurer; F. C. Lehner, Attorney; H. F. Bridges, Engineer; W. F. Bixby, Street Superintendent; N. H. Hosmer, Marshal and Tax Collector; H. Hart, Auditor; Chairman Board of Health, Dr. R. H. Mackerras.

Trustees meet in City Hall on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:30 p. m.

### BOARD OF TRADE

ORGANIZED to promote the civic and commercial development of Sierra Madre. Meets in City Hall on second Monday evening of each month at 8 p. m. Officers—M. D. Welsch, President; W. E. Farman, Vice President; F. H. Hartman, Secretary. Directors—C. W. Mitchell, W. E. Farman, George B. Morgridge, J. C. Dickson, Greer Caskey, F. H. Hartman.

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### CHURCHES

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL—Central avenue at Hermosa. Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor Society, 6:45 p. m.; evening service, 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Residence, The Rectory, Phone Black 70. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; Holy Communion first Sunday in the month, 11 a. m.; on the greater festival and other days by appointment, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday evening service from October to July, 7:30 p. m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Chapel on Highland avenue, east of Baldwin. Rev. M. W. Barth in charge. Services at 9 a. m. Sunday.

HOME OF TRUTH—493 Auburn Ave. Sunday service, 3:30 p. m. Bible lesson, Wednesday, 3 p. m. Healing meeting, Friday, 8 p. m. All are welcome.

### FRATERNAL

SIERRA MADRE LODGE, No. 408, F. & A. M.—Stated meeting first Tuesday of each month. All visiting Masons welcome. Club House, Hall, M. H. Bridge, W. M. J. D. Mackerras, Secretary.

SIERRA MADRE CHAPTER, O. E. S. meets the first and third Mondays of each month in Woman's Club House, Hall at 8 p. m. Visiting members welcome. Mrs. Frank Bledsman, W. M. Mrs. Cabot Yerxa, Secretary.

### SIERRA MADRE POST OFFICE

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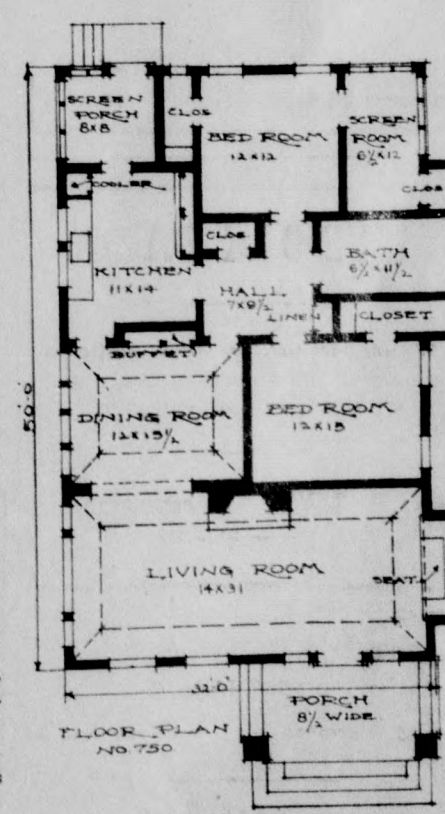
## Bungalow Department



Many desirable features are embodied in this week's bungalow design from Ye Planry, 212 Mercantile Place, Los Angeles. The floor plan is convenient, with excellent provision for light and air. The large living room is especially inviting, and practically every room has some feature to commend it.

Specifications call for foundation of concrete and porch floor of cement, with plastered porch and walls as far as window sills. Walls are to be finished with shakes above, and roof to be of shingles. Mantel in living room is to be plastered. Oak floors are specified, except for pine in kitchen and bathroom. Pine finish throughout. Indirect lighting systems are one of the modern features for living and dining rooms. Living and dining room are to have stained and waxed finish, and screen room to be varnished. Balance of finish and kitchen and bathroom wainscot to be enameled. Panels in dining room to be of imitation leather, with plaster panels in living room.

The estimated cost of this exceedingly attractive bungalow is \$2,400 to \$2,600.





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## Brief Items of Interest

Mrs. George Crow entertained the I. C. on Wednesday.

George Humphries has been looking after business interests in Oceanside this week.

Miss Dona Mosher of Los Angeles was the week end guest of Miss Katherine Mason.

Miss Evelyn Damon of Long Beach spent the week end as the guest of Mrs. G. R. Lund.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Kersting have leased the Jenkins residence on North Baldwin for a year.

Mrs. G. R. Lund and Miss Pauline Lund of Los Angeles spent the past week in Sierra Madre.

Mrs. Roland Adams and little daughter, Miss Josephine Jane Adams, have returned home from Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Manchester of Long Beach are occupying the cottage of Dr. L. A. Perce on Grand View.

C. H. Baker is in San Francisco this week attending to the opening of the seventh of his chain of Pacific Coast shoe stores.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adams are occupying their attractive new residence on Highland Avenue at the head of Hermosa.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Yerxa and Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Yerxa are occupying their new cottage on East Grand View.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Pillsbury and daughter have moved into the cottage on Baldwin Avenue recently vacated by A. N. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Spafford of Los Angeles and S. H. Spafford of Sierra Madre were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sheldon last Sunday at a family reunion.

C. H. Seebree must have had a rough passage on his voyage to Shanghai, China. The editor of the News is in receipt of a postcard from him at that place and inscribed: "Acht, Gott, vahrt a dissiness!"

A dancing class for children will open on Saturday, November 11, at the Woman's Club house, in charge of Mrs. Coulter of Los Angeles. She will also teach athletic and folk dances to any who wish to learn. An evening class will also be organized by Mrs. S. C. Collins if enough applications are received.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Green and Miss Evelyn Rice entertained a few friends Monday evening with a Halloween party. Music, dancing and Halloween stunts occupied the evening and delicious refreshments were served. The guests included Misses Dorothy Humphries, Marjorie Rice, Hazel Hill, Messrs. Ham, Ashmore, Morgridge, Gardner, and Max Thornburg.

A pleasant surprise party was perpetrated on the Misses Mason at their home on Sunnyside and Manzanita Saturday evening. The affair was planned by Mrs. G. H. Johnson at whose home the guests met. The evening was pleasantly spent at dancing, toasting marshmallows and pulling taffy. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawless, Mrs. W. H. Ingraham, Misses Dona Mosher of Los Angeles, Dorothy Camp, Katherine Torrance, Dorothy Humphries, Marjorie Rice, Messrs. Nourse, Fred Hinton, William Wright, Victor Hill.

## Woman's Club

The work of the various committees was discussed at the club meeting of last Monday and opportunity was given for forming a better acquaintance with the new members. The work of the various departments was explained in short talks by the committee chairman.

Particular interest was aroused in the matter of reducing the fly pest which seems worse than usual this year. The prevalence of the pest was pronounced both dangerous and disgusting, especially in view of the fact that it is largely preventable. Resolutions were adopted unanimously calling for the use of covered receptacles for stable refuse, and for the general use of gypsum on fertilizer and in vaults.

## MUSIC CLASS MEETS

The music study club composed of the younger music pupils of Miss Hazel Hill met at her home for their first fall session on Saturday afternoon. The first hour was devoted to a study of early musical instruments. A musical program was followed by the serving of dainty refreshments. The program follows:

The Lonely Rose ..... Leise  
Bae Farman.  
Sonatina ..... Regis  
Winifred Wallace.  
The Alpine Rose ..... Hillar  
Lucile Wallace.  
Il Trovatore Fantasie ..... Verdi  
Dorothy Mitchell.  
Sonatina ..... Liehner  
Alice May Bovard.  
Gondelle ..... Richter  
Marguerite Anderson.

## A PRAYER.

Go with each of us to our rest. If any awake temper to them the hours of watching, and when the day returns call us up with morning faces and with morning hearts, eager to labor, eager to be happy. If happiness shall be our portion, and if the day be marked for sorrow strong to endure it.—K. L. Stevenson.

Dr. George S. Wells has gone to Arrowhead Springs for a week.

The Ancient Priscillas met on Tuesday with Mrs. A. D. Hawks.

Mrs. O. Lewis of Little Rock was the guest of Mrs. A. N. Adams this week.

Miss Beulah Bryant of Los Angeles has come to Sierra Madre to spend a few weeks.

E. E. McDerry of Los Angeles is a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. W. Brown.

Mrs. Frank Gresham of Alameda is a guest at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lambert.

Mrs. B. F. Rockhold of Riverside is a guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roland Adams.

Miss Pearl Needham of Los Angeles has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Tarr this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards of Los Angeles have rented the cottage belonging to Mrs. L. M. Rice on upper Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Manchester of Bar Harbor, Maine, are guests at the home of their son, Mr. Ralph Manchester.

Las Auxiliadores held their regular meeting on Thursday. Luncheon was served at noon and the day devoted to sewing.

Mrs. J. A. Patterson, who is at the home of her mother, Mrs. N. M. Emery of Hollywood, is suffering from an abscess of the ear.

Verle and Harry George, Sterling Larkey and Herbert Peterson are week end guests of Victor Hill, assisting him in celebrating his birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Mary A. Binford and Miss Augusta Binford of Washington, D. C., are occupying the place on Auburn Avenue which they recently purchased from C. S. Kersting.

All boys and girls interested in the study of birds are invited to meet with Miss Alice Lockwood next Friday afternoon, November 10, at 4 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Williamson, 355 N. Auburn Avenue. It is hoped that a regular organization can be formed for the study and protection of the birds.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mackerras entertained Wednesday evening with a Halloween party in honor of the latter's cousin, Miss Jean Craig. Decorations were in keeping with the occasion and appropriate games were followed by elaborate refreshments. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Hawhurst, Mr. and Mrs. Ingraham and Mrs. G. H. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Stilson, Mrs. Mary D. Goodfellow, Mrs. C. H. Baker, Miss Susie O'Brien, Miss Mae Campbell, Messrs W. C. Davis, J. D. Mackerras, and Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel of Pasadena.

Miss Madeline Brown entertained several young friends at her home on Auburn Avenue with a Halloween party Tuesday evening. All kinds of stunts and games appropriate to the occasion were played, and refreshments were served. The guests included Lillian Goldberg, Mary Littell, Katherine Schwartz, Nina Sommer, Helen Jansen, Gladys Kraft, Klity Varney, Marie Adelmeyer, Lenore Pogue, George Whitworth, Robert Clark, George Starr, Gerald Mitchell, Frederick Mangold, Norman Jensen, Raymond Adelmeyer, Arthur Evans, Alpha Starr, Emmett Varney.

## EXHIBIT IS MAGNIFICENT

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being Saturday night, it was desired to have the dancing concluded before 12. Receiving for the evening will be Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Torrance, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Mackerras, Miss Annis B. Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Martin, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Montgomery, Miss Edith Blumer and Mr. Frank Hart.

Judges who award the prizes on floral exhibits this afternoon are Madame Torrance of South Pasadena, Mrs. Van Graham of Alhambra and Mrs. O. M. Morris of Los Angeles.

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## RESOLUTION

A Resolution approving the statement of the Proposition to be Submitted to the Qualified Voters of the City of Sierra Madre at a Special Election to Be Held in Said City on the 7th Day of November, 1911.

Whereas, a special election has been called and will be held in the City of Sierra Madre on the 7th day of November, 1911, for the object and purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said city the proposition of incurring a bonded debt of said city for the following purpose:

The acquisition by the said City of Sierra Madre of the property, real and personal, constituting or appertaining to the supply and distributing system of waterworks used by the Sierra Madre Water Company, a corporation, in supplying water to the inhabitants of the said City of Sierra Madre for domestic and irrigating purposes, and to said city for municipal purposes, which said system of waterworks is owned by the said Sierra Madre Water Company, the estimated cost of which said supply and distributing system of waterworks is Ninety-six Thousand Dollars; and

The acquisition and construction by the said City of Sierra Madre of certain improvements to said supply and distributing system of waterworks, including the acquisition of lands, waters, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs, and other works necessary therefor, the estimated cost of which said improvements to said supply and distributing system of waterworks is Fifteen Thousand Dollars.

Now therefore, be it resolved and determined by the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre as follows:

Section 1. That the following statement be and the same is hereby approved by the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre as for the statement of the aforesaid proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Sierra Madre at the special election to be held in said city on the 7th day of November, 1911, to wit:

"Proposition to Be Submitted to the Qualified Voters of the City of Sierra Madre at the Special Election to Be Held in Said City of Sierra Madre on the 7th Day of November, 1911, to wit:

The proposition of incurring a debt in the sum of One Hundred and Eleven Thousand (\$111,000) Dollars, for the purpose of acquiring the supply and distributing system of water works owned by the Sierra Madre Water Company and used by said Company in supplying water to the said City of Sierra Madre and to its inhabitants, and acquiring and constructing certain improvements to said system of water works, including the acquisition of lands, waters, water rights, rights of way, and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor; and of issuing and selling bonds of said city in the amount of One Hundred and Eleven Thousand (\$111,000) Dollars (or said purpose); said bonds to bear interest at the rate of interest not exceeding five (5) per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the principal and interest thereof to be payable in gold coin of the United States."

Sec. 2. That the City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre be and he is hereby directed to publish the aforesaid statement of said proposition in the Sierra Madre News, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed, published and circulated in said City of Sierra Madre.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre at its meeting of October 28, 1911, by the following vote:

Ayes: Trustees Hosmer, Pegler, Steinberger, and Jones.  
Noes: None.  
Absent: Trustee Graham.

C. H. PERRY,  
City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre.  
I hereby sign and approve the foregoing resolution this 28th day of October, 1911.

C. W. JONES,  
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre, and Executive of Said City.

Attest:  
C. H. PERRY, (Seal)  
City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre.

## ASSESSMENT NOTICE NO 4

The Sierra Madre Mining and Milling Company, location of principal place of business, City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Directors of The Sierra Madre Mining and Milling Company held on the 6th day of October, 1911, an assessment of one-fourth of one cent per share was levied upon the subscribed capital stock of the company, payable immediately to J. H. Thorndike, Secretary, at the office of the Company, Clark and Graham Building, 325 Central Avenue, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 10th day of November, 1911, will be advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 2nd day of December, 1911, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the costs of advertising and expense of sale.

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## PANSIES.

I send thee pansies while the year is young.  
Yellow as sunshine, purple as the night—  
Flowers of remembrance, ever fondly sung  
By all the chiefest of the sons of light.  
And if in recollection lives regret  
For wasted days and dreams that were not true  
I tell thee that the "pansy freak-ed with jet"  
Is still the heartsease that the poet knew.  
Take all the sweetness of a gift unsought.  
And for the pansies send me back a thought.  
—Sarah Doudney Clarke



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## CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS

**Fictitious Firm Name**  
The undersigned does hereby certify that he is conducting a newspaper and printing business at Room G, Kersting Court, Sierra Madre, California, under the fictitious firm name of Sierra Madre News, and that said firm is composed of the following person, whose name and address is as follows, to-wit: George B. Morgridge, Sierra Madre, California.  
Witness my hand this 11th day of October, 1911.  
**GEORGE B. MORGIDGE,**  
State of California, County of Los Angeles.  
On this 11th day of October, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven, before me, A. S. Mead, a Notary Public in and for said County, residing there in, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared George B. Morgridge, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.  
Witness my hand and official seal.  
**A. S. MEAD,**  
Notary Public in and for said County of Los Angeles, State of California.

## CARING FOR CUT GLASS.

How to Handle Delicate Ware So It Will Retain Beauty.

It is seldom that the girl who sells the cut glass in the big department stores can tell you precisely what to do in order to preserve these beautiful and expensive articles, but one young lady, who owns several costly pieces and who is overenthusiastic concerning them, says that with the proper care they are a joy forever and a delight to behold.

As a warning she says that it requires considerably more care and attention than does silverware, as cut glass will not stand any rough handling while being polished. This brittle article is actually the most fragile in the world of the housewife. It seems to await its chance to shatter, and therefore if the following rules are adhered to breakage will be reduced to the smallest percentage:

Keep it in a china closet that has a rail or support that will avert its slipping.

Make sure that the shelf is strong to hold the weight if the pieces are large.

Never rinse under running water. Prepare water for washing in a wooden pan or dish tub and fold a towel on the bottom so that the pieces can rest on its cushiony layers.

Make the water tepid, add ammonia and have just a good white soap, a camel's hair brush (sold for this purpose) and a lintless cloth.

Rinse with water of the same temperature and dry with a soft towel, polishing afterward with tissue paper that comes for this purpose, or you can use a new clean chamois.

Do not put grease of any kind in these pieces, not even butter, as grease makes them cloudy, and you can never polish them as brightly after so using.

Brushing should always be done with the softest brushes procurable. Stiff brushes scratch unmercifully. But a brush must be used to clean the crevices, so it cannot be dispensed with.

Never use tacks or buckshot to clean the inside of bottles, jugs and pitchers, but the ground shell of an egg, salt and lemon or a little white vinegar.

A piece of raw potato soaked in a carafe or any of the deeper pieces will help to make brightening a light task and cleaning still easier.

## HOW TO MAKE A FLYTRAP.

Simple Apparatus Has Been Found Effective In Denver.

It is a simple thing to destroy flies by the millions with a homemade fly-trap similar in construction to those in use in Denver. These traps were made by the convicts in the Colorado penitentiary.

The apparatus is simply a box, the size of a starch box or larger, of which the sides are removed, leaving the bottom and two ends, and replaced with mosquito wire. A large tin funnel, about ten or twelve inches across at the top, is inserted into the bottom of the flytrap in an inverted position. The box is supported so as to be about three inches from the ground. Under the funnel is placed a saucer of vinegar, and some brown sugar is scattered around. After eating the sugar the flies go up into the funnel, the inside opening of which is near the top of the box. When the box is half full of dead flies it can be emptied by removing the funnel or by making a trap-door at one end.

## How to Preserve Mauve Color.

I was delighted to find by experiment that to prevent my lavender and mauve gowns or ribbons from fading it was only necessary to put the soiled articles in cold water with common baking soda added to the proportion of one tablespoonful of soda to half a gallon of water. Let soak half an hour, then wash carefully in slightly warm soapsuds, using little soap; rinse well and dry in the shade. For other colors table salt of same proportion is most effectual to prevent fading. However, one teaspoonful muriatic acid to a gallon of water is the best thing to use for light blue fabrics, and your faintest blue frocks are thus kept looking like new after many launderings.—Harper's Bazar.

## How to Wash Pongee.

Never use hot water in washing pongee. Instead use a suds made from lukewarm water with pure white soap. Never rub it on the board, but in the hands, as the board draws the threads. Rinse in several waters of the same temperature, hang out in the air until it is dry, then iron. Do not sprinkle or dampen it. Any moisture, even of a damp cloth, will spoil all the good results of the careful washing. If treated in this way it will look like new.—Housekeeper.

## How to Hang a Skirt.

Slip on the skirt you are making, then slip on another skirt which hangs. Stand on a chair and have some one put common pins in the new skirt at bottom of the old skirt, and when you have pins all round the bottom turn up for hem at row of pins, and you will find your skirt will hang perfectly even, without waste of time or labor.

## How to Wash Egg Cups.

If the breakfast egg cups are put into cold water while waiting for the regular dish washing they will rinse out quite easily, but hot water has the effect of cooking the egg to the side of the china and makes them very hard to wash.

## How to Clean Wall Paper.

To clean grease spots from wall paper make a dough ball of flour and water and rub over the spot very gently until it disappears.

## HOW TO CLEAN LEATHER.

Furniture Upholstered With It Requires Frequent Attention.

The cleaning of leather upholstered furniture is a question that concerns almost every housewife, for those who do not possess one or more pieces of the padded leather kind have at least the leather seated diners that require refurbishing three or four times a year.

In preparing to clean such a piece it is best to have the necessary materials at hand, so that the work can be finished at once and without risk of injuring the furniture, as there would be a liability if the different operations of the work were not done in rapid sequence.

Procure three large size cheesecloths, a basinful of tepid or nearly warm water, to which has been added a little vinegar, say a tablespoonful, and a mixture of the whites of two eggs and a half pint of turpentine. The mixture is best made by first beating the eggs to a froth and placing it in a bottle before the turpentine, and then before each application it is well shaken in the bottle.

Large pieces of leather furniture are gone over in sections, first with the cheesecloth which has been dipped in the warm water to which has been added the vinegar, and then after being carefully wiped with a dry cheesecloth it is polished with a dry cheesecloth or chamois slightly saturated with the egg white and turpentine mixture. After this the article is carefully wiped dry with other cloths.

Seats of the dining chairs can be done one at a time with ease.

Any leather covered article, such as seat pads and even coats, not leaving out the dull calf or gun metal shoe, can be renovated after a fashion by the same process, and shiny leather thus treated will admit of a polish more readily than before it is applied.

## THE CARE OF CANARIES.

How to Keep Birds So They Will Be Healthy and Sing.

In selecting a canary one of the cross breeds, pure canary with a strain of goldfinch or bullfinch, is the best to choose, as they are much harder than

the pure canary and have splendid voices. The best food for canaries is canary and rape seed, one part of rape to three of canary. From April to September they should have a little fresh green food every day, either chickweed, watercress or lettuce, says Our Dumb Animals. A lump of sugar should always be kept between the cage wires within easy reach.

Always give a canary a bath the first thing in the morning. After cleaning, the bottom of the cage should be sprinkled with gravel and sand (not sand from the seashore, as the salt will kill the bird).

Never hang the cage in a draft or a stiff breeze, as canaries are very susceptible to cold. Neither should it remain uncovered in a lighted room at night, as the bird's song is liable to become impaired because of its nervous temperament.

## How to Make Starch.

When making starch have a kettle of boiling water. In a clean enameled saucepan stir until smooth half a cupful of starch and one cupful of cold water. Then gradually add boiling water, stirring all the time. Boil the starch for ten minutes, stirring constantly.

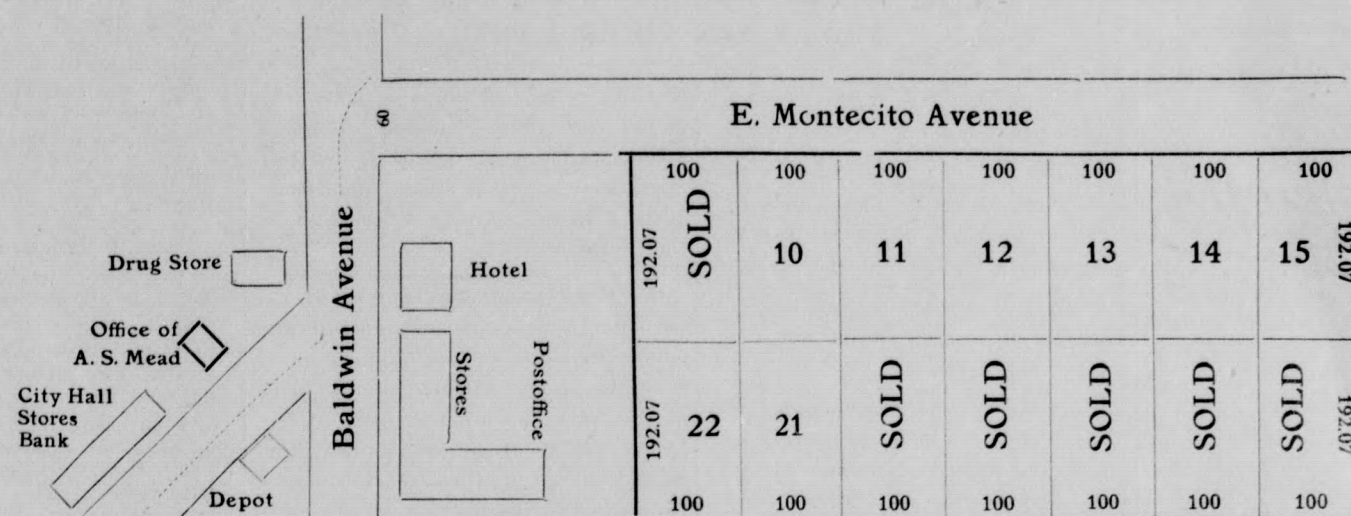
Now add a little white wax or a piece of sperm candle. If wax or candle is not available use a teaspoonful of butter or lard. Cover the saucepan and let the starch simmer twenty minutes longer. Add a few drops of bluing.

The amount of boiling water added to the starch and cold water will depend upon how stiff the articles are to be made. For shirt bosoms, cuffs and collars add one quart of boiling water. For dresses, underskirts, etc., use two quarts of boiling water.

## How to Preserve Pineapple.

When preserving pineapple let the fruit stand overnight in the sugar it is to be put up with. The sugar draws out the juices of the fruit, and it is ready to cook the next morning, usually without the addition of other moistening. It will only require three minutes' cooking after it has reached the boiling point. Use two-thirds or three-quarters of a pound of sugar to

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every pound of fruit, according to the acidity of the "pines." Of course the sweet sugar loaf pineapple is the best for preserving.

### DUTIES OF A CITY.

The city should give its citizens every chance to become healthy and happy and prosperous, and the spread of knowledge of ways and means is one of the best ways of doing it. I wish every child in every big city had a room to sleep in with an open window opening on a green space.

As for women, they should have the right to vote, of course I would give it to them unconditionally. They have as good brains as men. If they were sometimes actuated by motives that might not stand scrutiny they would be no worse than men, and if a woman voted for the best looking candidate would she be as bad as the man who voted for the one who paid him most?—Mayor Seidel of Milwaukee.

### GEMS OF THOUGHT.

Base envy withers at another's joy  
And hates that excellence it cannot reach.  
—Thomson.

The drying up a single tear has more  
Of honest fame than shedding seas of gore.  
—Byron.

Never an age, when God has need of him.  
Shall want its man, predestined by that need.  
To pour his life in fiery word or deed—  
The strong archangel of the Elohim.  
—G. S. Burleigh.

All that inhabit this great earth,  
Whatever be their rank or worth.  
Are kindred and allied by birth  
And made of the same clay  
—Longfellow



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## BY THE WAY

Vote for the water bonds and prosperity in Sierra Madre.

Nobody has yet found the man who said "I told you so" after the Los Angeles primary election on Tuesday.

Don't put a spoke in the wheel of progress by voting no on the water bonds next Tuesday.

Many a man who tries to be a "good fellow" only succeeds in being a bad fellow and soon finds himself on the way to become a poor fellow.

There may be such a thing as being "consumed by curiosity," but it is very doubtful. Else several Sierra Madre people would have disappeared from view a long time since.

Why is it that when the average man makes up his mind to lay by something for a rainy day it always seems to rain the very next day?

"In the last analysis Los Angeles must depend upon her women for her salvation." Even facing the menace of a socialist administration in Los Angeles it is a bit surprising to hear such sound sentiment from a paper which fought equal suffrage tooth and toenail.

In the aftermath of the Los Angeles primary election the most amusing feature is the stampede for the band wagon. With the exception of the Record, which supported Harriman, the papers which did their best to defeat Alexander and the Good Government ticket are now bent upon electing them and at the same time seeing that the Express and Tribune and the Good Government organization receive no credit for it.

Did it ever occur to you to analyze the opposition to the municipal ownership of the Sierra Madre water system? Let it be granted that there are a few who are honestly opposed to the measure on principle or because they have not yet been able to see the light. But there is another small class, including those who make most of the noise. It includes a few men who have opposed practically every project for the improvement or development of Sierra Madre since the town began to grow.

The ballot in the hands of such men is nothing but a hammer to knock Sierra Madre. Voters with the welfare of the city at heart should think seriously before aligning themselves in such company.

H. E. Lawrence has purchased the Burbank Review and its competitor and will merge the two into one. Again it has been demonstrated that an ordinary country town cannot support two papers. Without competition Mr. Lawrence will be able to give Burbank a paper of the character it should have. Old timers will remember Mr. Lawrence as a former resident and editor in Sierra Madre. Ten or twelve years ago while living at Alhambra he fell in love with Sierra Madre and started a paper here which he called the "Valley Vista." He brought his family and resided about two years. Later he moved to Pasadena where he started a paper designed to cover the whole San Gabriel Valley, with special editions for each of several different towns, a plan which has lured many editors but which has invariably proven impracticable. Mr. Lawrence has since been engaged in the business in Alhambra, Elsinore and San Diego. The newspaper fraternity will welcome his return to the neighborhood.

The thing needed more than anything else to insure success of the water bond next Tuesday is a full vote. The stockholders of the water company have repeatedly voted in favor of municipal ownership as against continuance of the present arrangement; the Board of Trade has gone on record several times as favoring the proposition; the voters of Sierra Madre last December indorsed the principal of municipal ownership of water by a six-to-one vote when the present proposition was regarded as the logical sequence of the proposition indorsed at that time. There has been no great change of sentiment among the voters since that time. All the reasons which made a change seem advisable then are even more forceful now. The great danger to the proposition lies in the apathy of voters favoring the proposition. Let there be a full vote and the Sierra Madre water situation is safe.

## Belasco

The patrons of the Belasco theater are promised a genuine dramatic treat next week, when Lewis S. Stone and the others of the Belasco company will offer Israel Zangwill's very remarkable play, "The Melting Pot." Few dramas of recent production have been received with the same degree of enthusiasm that has been accorded to the Zangwill play and certainly nothing that the Belasco company has offered in months contains so much that is really good and profitable as is to be found in "The Melting Pot."

Zangwill's melting pot is this great America of ours—this country of tremendous possibilities where all unnatural differences are to be reduced and all mutual human sympathies fused in a splendid new people. The author picks out examples of the extreme of racial differences and prejudices—the Russian Jew and the Russian Christian—and works out his theory in the intense story of David Quixano, a high minded young Hebrew musician who makes his escape to New York after the massacre of his whole family in Russia, and Vera Revendal, the daughter of a Russian nobleman and army officer.

## DIGGING TWO CANALS.

Methods Employed at Suez and Inos at Panama.

Forty years ago I watched the workers on the Suez canal. Many of them were girls, digging up the sand with their bare fingers, scooping it into the hollows of their hands, throwing it into the rush basket each had woven for herself, lifting the baskets to their heads and carrying the load of twenty to thirty pounds a hundred feet up the bank and dumping it.

Panama excavation is being done by steam shovels. Recently I watched one of them at work. The fingers of the Egyptian girl had grown into a thousand times larger steel claws that dug and scraped the shattered rock and dirt. The hollow of the girl's hands had developed into a scoop containing two cubic yards, or 5,000 times as much as her two hands could hold. The rush basket had grown into a train of flat cars. The shapely arm of smooth flesh covering muscle and bone had grown into a great beam moved by chains, flinging great loads on to the flat cars, and instead of the 100 feet of walking long trains ran perhaps twenty miles to dump the load. Development by men of a woman's method.—Harrington Emerson in Engineering Magazine.

## The Theaters

## Burbank

James Forbes' dramatic glorification of the commercial "drummer," known to thousands of delighted theatergoers as "The Traveling Salesman," will have its first stock company presentation at the hands of the Burbank company next week.

Forbes is essentially a writer of comedy and his two other efforts, "The Chorus Lady" and "The Commuters," are pretty substantial proof that as a writer of the sort of plays the public wants, he stands at the head of the procession of native dramatists. In "The Traveling Salesman" Forbes' fancy for bright, clever, up-to-the-moment dialogue takes full flight, with the result that although he has an interesting story for the foundation of his play, the breeziness, the buoyancy and the bright, crisp things we have been taught to expect from the suave and modest "drummer" are all amplified well nigh unto the nth power. All of which is equivalent to saying that Forbes' hero, Bob Blake, is a very manly sort of a fellow who finds lots of opportunities for fun making even if he does interrupt his proclivities for having a good time long enough to fall in love with a charming young woman who happens to be the telegraph operator and station agent in a small town where a crowd of traveling salesmen are "stalled" on a Christmas day.

## Grand

"Dolly Varden," the comic opera which made Lulu Glaser famous and which scored a triumph all over the United States when she appeared in it, will be the offering of Ferris Hartman and his company at the Grand Opera House next week. "Dolly Varden" is not only one of the most tuneful operas ever written, but it is also one of the most unusual. The book is by Stanislaus Stange and the music by Julian Edwards, each a past master in his chosen work. The scenes are laid in London and the date of the action is supposed to be 1730. This allows of gorgeous costuming and makes of "Dolly Varden" a costume play in the strictest sense of the term. The gay colors worn in those days were exceptionally beautiful, and Mr. Hartman has had made costumes which will carry out the ideas of that time. Pretty girls and dashing officers will back up the principals in their efforts to amuse.

## News Liners

Advertising inserted under this heading at the rate of five cents per line for each insertion.

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE—170 feet galvanized irrigating pipe. See A. S. Mead. 5

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## FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Sewing machine. Phone Blue 83. 5

FOR SALE—Postcard reflecting machine. Has fine lens and two 50-candle power electric lamps. Throws strong, clear image of postcard up to 6 feet in diameter. Will demonstrate. Great stuff for winter evening fun. Little used but will sell at a bargain. Call at News Office.

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## TO LOAN.

TO LOAN—\$500 on Sierra Madre real estate. A. S. Mead. 4

## WANTED

WANTED—Housework by the day. Phone Black 40. Mrs. Porter. 5\*

WANTED—Housework, by experienced young woman. Call up Green 81. 5\*

WANTED—Work, by good strong gardener. Phone Blue 68. 5\*

## NOTICE

Having sold the Sierra Madre Central Market to Messrs. Roess &amp; Key, I wish to thank our patrons for the pleasant business relations my late husband enjoyed, and trust the same may be extended to our successors.

Any person holding cash register checks issued before Nov. 1, 1911, can have same redeemed by presenting them at the Market before Nov. 10.

MRS. J. G. SLAYTON.

The furniture branch of my business is to be discontinued. Goods at cost, to close out. W. E. Sheldon.

## THE PACIFIC MONTHLY SPECIAL RATES ON THE LEADING MAGAZINE OF THE WEST

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Dated this 18th day of October, A. D. 1911.

ALBERT WIDMAYER, Administrator of the Estate of Charles G. Alchele, deceased.

## CERTIFICATE OF CO-PARTNERSHIP

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## Fictitious Firm Name

The undersigned do hereby certify that they are conducting a meat business at Baldwin and Central Avenues, Sierra Madre, California, under the fictitious firm name of Sierra Madre Central Market, and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to-wit: F. L. C. Roess, 73 W. Laurel, Sierra Madre, Cal. Charles C. Key, 73 W. Laurel, Sierra Madre, Cal.

Witness our hands this 1st day of November, 1911.

F. L. C. ROESS, CHARLES C. KEY.

State of California, County of Los Angeles.

On this 1st day of November, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven, before me, A. S. Mead, a Notary Public in and for said County, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared F. L. C. Roess and Charles C. Key, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

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